



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Thomas M. Armstrong, et al.
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of May 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

Applicant is also submitting, concurrently herewith, a petition to extend the period of response two months from August 5, 2004, up to and including October 5, 2004.